

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claims 1-7 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1, 5-7, 10 and 14 of copending Application No. 10/677,122. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The invention of 10/677,122 relates to a printing method comprising the step of forming a second image using a pearl pigment-containing second colorant. The present invention relates to an image-formed object having an image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet. In accordance with the present invention, the image capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light must be substantially non-viewable upon exposure to visible light. The pearl pigment of 10/677,122 is viewable upon exposure to visible light. Additionally, the pearl pigment does not emit fluorescence. Therefore, 10/677,122 fails to teach or suggest that the present invention adopts the image which is capable of emitting fluorescence upon exposure to ultraviolet light and must be substantially non-viewable upon exposure to visible light.

Therefore, based on the above, Applicant believes the Examiner should withdraw the rejection. Applicant also respectfully notes that 10/677,122 is now under examination, and thus the claims in that case may change during prosecution. Thus, it

is respectfully submitted that the issue of double patenting should be held in abeyance until after examination of 10/677,122 has been terminated.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

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